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EMO. 11652: NA

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SUBJ: ALLOCATION OF AA WEAPONS

REF A) STATE 6185; B) ANKARA 7173

1. WE DO NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE THAT U.S. ARMY REACQUISITION OF REMAINING

MAP-EXCESS .50 CAL QUAD MACHINEGUNS AT CAMP DARBY, ITALY, WOULD BE READILY ACCEPTABLE TO GOT. ON CONTRARY, THIS ACTION COULD CAUSE CONSIDERABLE CONCERN HERE.

2. GOT HAS A GENERAL SHORTFALL IN AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS, WHICH .50 CAL QUAD MACHINEGUNS WOULD HELP SIGNIFICANTLY TO OVERCOME. ARMED FORCES COMMAND WAS ORIGINALLY OFFERED AND ACCEPTED 430 OF THE WEAPONS. SUBSEQUENTLY, WE WITHDREW 205 OF THE WEAPONS OFFERED AND ALLOCATED AND GAVE THEM TO GREECE. FAILURE TO PROVIDE TURKS REMAINING WEAPONS MIGHT BE CONSTRUED BY THEM AS EVIDENCE OF UNBALANCED APPROACH IN OUR MILITARY ASSISTANCE POLICY FOR THIS AREA.

3. WE BELIEVE, IN SUMMARY, THAT POLITICAL CONSIDERATION HERE OVERRIDE SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS WHICH WOULD RESULT FROM DOD
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REPURCHASING THESE WEAPONS. WE URGE THAT REMAINING QUAD

50'S BE PROGRAMMED FOR TURKEY FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY.
SHOULD WASHINGTON DECIDE INSTEAD ON DOD REPURCHASE OF 185
WEAPONS, WE ASK THAT REMAINING 40 BE SHIPPED TO TURKEY
PRIOR TO FEBRAURY 5.
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